

# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

## *PRELIMINARY HOLIDAY REPORT*

*July 7, 2011*

### **2011 JULY 4TH HOLIDAY 6 PM, FRIDAY, JULY 1 – 11:59 PM, MONDAY, JULY 4 78-HOUR HOLIDAY PERIOD**

- **FATAL CRASHES: 6**

Three crashes were single vehicle crashes; three crashes were multiple vehicle crashes.

- **FATALITIES: 7**

None of the fatalities were alcohol-related.

Six of the people killed were vehicle occupants.

Four of the five with known restraint usage (80%) were not wearing safety restraints.  
No child passengers requiring child restraint devices were killed.  
One motorcyclist was killed.  
No pedestrians were killed.

#### **FATALITY LOG**

	<b><u>DAY</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>COUNTY</u></b>	<b><u>HIGHWAY</u></b>	<b><u>NUMBER KILLED</u></b>	<b><u>ALCOHOL RELATED</u></b>
1.	Friday	7:17 PM	Sullivan	City	1	No
2.	Sunday	11:30 AM	Polk	SR 40	1	No
3.	Monday	3:40 AM	Knox	City	1	No
4.	Monday	11:57 AM	Hardin	SR 57	1	No
5.	Monday	1:35 PM	Warren	County	2	No
6.	Monday	4:04 PM	Hamilton	City	1	No

- **The number of fatalities for last year's 78-hour holiday period was 15.**

#### **HIGHEST DEATHS**

The highest number of deaths in a 102 – hour Fourth of July holiday period occurred in 1996, when 27 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee, yielding a fatality rate of one death per three hours and 42 minutes.

#### **LOWEST DEATHS**

The lowest number of deaths in a 78 – hour Fourth of July holiday period occurred in 1998, when 8 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee, yielding a fatality rate of one death per nine hours and 45 minutes.